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Honorable Wesley Chesbro, Chair Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee

Attention: Mr. Danny Alvarez, Staff Director (2)

Honorable John Laird, Chair Assembly Budget Committee

Attention: Mr. Christopher W. Woods, Chief Consultant (2)

## Amendment to Budget Bill Item 3900-001-0044, Support, Air Resources Board

### **Lower Emission School Bus Program**

It is requested that Item 3900-001-0044 be increased by \$25.0 million to provide funding on a one-time basis to replace pre-1977 school buses with new clean school buses that meet the latest federal safety standards. Due to their still-developing respiratory systems, school age children are especially vulnerable to diesel emissions. There are approximately 210 pre-1977 model year school buses still operating in California. These school buses do not meet the minimum federal safety standards established in 1977 and also emit high levels of diesel exhaust compared to new buses available today. This proposal will enable the Air Resources Board to replace pre-1977 school buses still in use in California with new safer and less polluting buses. Suggested Budget Bill language is attached that would specify the allowable uses of the funds. See Attachment 1.

The effect of my requested action is reflected on the attachment.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this matter, please call Matt Almy, Principal Program Budget Analyst, at (916) 916-324-0043.

MICHAEL C. GENEST Director By:

/s/ Vincent P. Brown

VINCENT P. BROWN Chief Deputy Director

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Mr. Craig Cornett, Assembly Speaker's Office (2)

Mr. David Harper, Deputy Chief of Staff, Assembly Republican Leader's Office

Mr. Don Owen, Acting Undersecretary, Secretary for Environmental Protection

Ms. Katherine Witherspoon, Executive Officer, Air Resources Board

Ms. Marie LaVergne, Chief of Administration, Air Resources Board

Ms. Judy Tanimoto, Fiscal Officer, Air Resources Board

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## Addition of Item 3960-490, Capital Outlay, Department of Toxic Substances Control

It is requested that Item 3960-490 be added to reappropriate funding for site acquisition (\$900,000) and preliminary plans (\$3,063,000). This Item would reappropriate funds for the purpose of acquiring a site and preparing preliminary plans for the construction of a new pretreatment plant at the Stringfellow Hazardous Waste Site. Reappropriation is necessary as acquisition of the property has been delayed because the current property owner has decided to sell to another party. (See Attachment 1)

The effect of my requested action is reflected on the attachment.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this matter, please call Karen Finn, Assistant Program Budget Manager, at (916) 445-9694.

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Ms. Maureen Gorsen, Director, Department of Toxic Substances Control

Ms. Vickie Vandergrif, Deputy Director, Administrative Services, Department of Toxic Substances Control

Mr. Randall Fong, Chief, Budgets and Fiscal Systems, Department of Toxic Substances Control

Ms. Sara Benson, Chief, Budget Office, Department of Toxic Substances Control

### Attachment 1

3960-490—Reappropriation, Department of Toxic Substances Control. The amounts specified in the appropriations provided for in the following citations are reappropriated for the purposes provided in those appropriations and shall be available for encumbrance or expenditures until June 30, 2007:

#### 0001—General Fund

- (1) \$450,000 from Item 3960-001-0001, Budget Act of 1999 (Ch. 50, Stats. 1999), as reappropriated by Item 3960-490, Budget Act of 2001 (Ch. 106, Stats. 2001), as reappropriated by Item 3960-490, Budget Act of 2003 (Ch. 157, Stats. 2003)
- (2) \$450,000 from Item 3960-001-0001, Budget Act of 2000 (Ch. 52, Stats. 2000), as reappropriated by Item 3960-490, Budget Act of 2001 (Ch. 106, Stats. 2001), as reappropriated by Item 3960-490, Budget Act of 2003 (Ch. 157, Stats. 2003)
- (3) \$920,000 from Item 3960-001-0001, Budget Act of 2002 (Ch. 379, Stats. 2002), as reappropriated by Item 3960-490, Budget Act of 2005 (Ch. 38/39, Stats. 2005)
- (4) \$1,080,000 from Item 3960-001-0001, Budget Act of 2003 (Ch. 157, Stats. 2003), as reappropriated by Item 3960-490, Budget Act of 2005 (Ch. 38/39, Stats. 2005)
- (5) \$1,063,000 from Item 3960-301-0001, Budget Act of 2005 (Ch. 38/39, Stats. of 2005) (1) 12.18.STF-Stringfellow Pretreatment Plant Site—Preliminary plans

#### Provisions:

- 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a total in schedule (1), (2), (3), and (4) of \$2,900,000 from the unencumbered balance of the Budget Act appropriations cited above are reappropriated to capital outlay for the purpose of site acquisition and preparing preliminary plans for the construction of a new pretreatment plant at the Stringfeliow Federal Superfund site and shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2007. This reappropriation is consistent with the remediation efforts authorized in the original appropriation.
- 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Department of Toxic Substances Control, with the approval of the State Public Works Board, may enter into any and all contracts for the design, construction, and management of the project authorized in this item. In doing so, the Department of Toxic Substances Control shall comply with the State Contract Act (Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 10100) of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code) and other applicable competitive selection processes. The Department of Toxic Substances Control shall provide management oversight of the project, which shall be subject to the review of the State Public Works Board.